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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission The Portals 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554 NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

Re: Request to Update Default Compensation Rate For Dial-Around Calls from Payphones, WC Docket No. 03-225

Dear Ms Dortch

On January 29, 2004, Albert H Kramer and Robert F. Aldrich, attorneys for the American Public Communications Council ("APCC"), had a meeting with Jeff Carlisle, Deputy Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau, Tamara Preiss, Chief of the Competitive Pricing Division, and Denise Coca of the Bureau staff.

We discussed in general terms the importance of early action by the Commission in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Aldrich

cc Jett Carlisle Tamara Preiss Denise Coca

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